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AD HOC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE ON PROJECT AQUATONE (ARC)

**Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 315
Administration Building, Central Intelligence Agency
at 10:00 a.m., 16 August 1957**

**James Q. Reber
Chairman**

P R E S E N T

**Colonel William A. Dodds, OACSI
Colonel Edwin F. Forsythe, OACSI
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Major George Van Latham, OACSI
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Colonel William L. Walker, AFOIN
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Reconsideration of Requirements for Penetration

1. The ARC recommends that, from the requirements point of view, TOMSK, LAKE BAIKAL, and a return to the KZYL ORDA area to cover the malfunction on 4035 is the order of importance which they attribute to these targets.

2. The ARC considers KLYUCHI to be the top priority in the Far East, the Air Force considering completing coverage of the KLYUCHI area to be still of high importance, other agencies feeling that the cause of the extensive movement of materials warrants obtaining fuller information if feasible.

3. The ARC concurred in general with the presentation on the Urals and KAPUSTIN YAR (reference: [redacted] 12 August 1957) subject to some refinements to be affected by a working party meeting with the OSI representatives this afternoon and subject to the injunction that if the long range bomber bases could possibly be covered they should be.

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China Requirements

4. The Chairman requested OCI to prepare a paper, comparable to that on the Urals, for the China area. This would be then reviewed by the Committee.

Comparison of the B and A-2 Configuration

5. The Chairman requested the views of the participants with regard to their preference for photography obtained with the B configuration versus the A-2. It was the unanimous view of the participants that the quality of the material produced by the B configuration is not so high as to offset its unreliability. The consumers have noted the high reliability of the A-2 as well as an increasing quality of its product.

Security

6. The Chairman called attention to the decentralization that exists in the TALENT security system and that it is absolutely essential that each TCO exercise firmness in insuring that requests for additional billets in the TALENT system are fully justified on a MUST KNOW basis. He indicated gratification at the security inspection reports produced by the TSO/CIA both in the ZI and in the field which indicate faithful compliance on the part of the participants with the established procedures. He cautioned that the TCO and the TSO in each agency must constantly be alert to the possibility that as time goes on participants in the system will tend to relax and treat TALENT material on a casual basis. This attitude, he said, we must earnestly seek to avoid.

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Chairman

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